

SHE FORGAVE HIM.

Twas a week before Christmas, and up the front stairs
Came a man who'd been playing quite highly two
His good wife was sitting in front of the fire,
Cooing out to a baby that not off saw its sire.
"Ah! my dear," said the man, while his heart 'gan
To quiver;
"What a pleasure it is that I find that you awake;
And the dear little baby, how pretty it looks—
I've been down at the offices at work on the book."
"You're a brute!" shrieked the wife, as the baby she
In its cradle—said her kind husband she faced,
"With your tales about work you'd deserve a fowl
wife:
You've been playing draw poker, I'll wager my life!"

"Bound the tapering waist wound the man a strong
Arm round;
"It's true, dear," he murmured, "whatever's the
harm?"
But my lips with a lie will never detect;

Then her peairy white arms threw the wife 'round
his neck,

And kiss upon him she showered a peck.

"I forgive you," she said, "though my heart you did
rack;

Hand me over the boodle, 'twill buy a safe escape."

From "Fighting with a Four-Blush, and Other
Poems," by Jerry Jewell.

VIRGINIA NEWS.

Alvah D. Campbell, of Louisa, Lee County, has
been appointed postmaster.

Major R. H. Glass, of Lynchburg, is to be the
new postmaster.

A son of Mr. Robert Farver was shot at four or
five times a few nights since while riding toward
his home, near Racoon Ford.

A church for colored people—a large and neat
frame building—has been finished for them
in the Hollywood neighborhood.

Richard Burke, esq., editor of the Monroe Repub-
lican, held his first meeting of his paper to Hin-
ton, where, in connection with Mr. S. P. McBride,
he proposes to start a series.

Mr. Charles Talbot, senior member of the firm
of Clegg, Talbot & Co., and president of the
Richmond, Monocacy, & Ohio Railroad, died sudden-
ly on Saturday at eight years of age.

A foreign sharper passing under the name of John
Gordon, who had been a member of the Board of
the Waldensian Church, Italy, had been col-
lecting money for that society in Fort Wayne, Nor-
mal, Indiana, and other places.

The Borley Spring Hotel took fire Wednesday
night about ten o'clock. The fire was confined to
the centre of the east wing. The building was dam-
aged to the extent of \$2,000, and the damage was es-
timated at from \$3,000 to \$4,000, being done to the
parts, bedding, etc. Losses covered by insurance.

An interesting meeting of the Grand Lodge of Masons
(regular) held last evening at the Hotel New York
was elected for the ensuing year: L. J. Carter,
Master, Richmond; Thomas Clayton, de-
puty grand master; G. H. Dabney, senior
deputy grand warden, Petersburg; G. L. A. Cabel,
junior grand warden, Staunton; James Stewart,
grand secretary, Lynchburg; W. J. Jackson, grand
secretary, Petersburg.

Once rheumatism was the bane of a man's ex-
istence until St. Jacobs Oil came to the rescue. If
you have aches and pains, you can't afford to be
without it. Will you let us send you a sample? Where
will a decade place it? Mr. Herman Johnson,
of Great Bend, Kan., is subject to frequent
attacks of rheumatism, and he states that he can find no relief except from the constant
use of St. Jacobs Oil. He keeps it in his house all
the time, and has discovered that it is useful for
many other purposes. It is a great help to him
when plowing in the summer time. He also
uses it for sprains, cuts, and bruises. For his back,
which was for a long time lame from rheumatism, which
is that of a thing of the past."

DISTRICT COURTS.

CRIMINAL COURT.—JEROME COX.—Morris Conner
and son Officer Quillian, pleaded guilty and was
sentenced to six months in jail. Frank Cronin, petit
larceny, pleaded guilty and sentenced to Auburn (N.Y.)
one year. Benjamin Gaskins, of Marion, pleaded
guilty and was sentenced to three years. William
Gaskins, of Marion, was sentenced to Auburn for
larceny of a diamond ring from Alexander Peterson,
and was sentenced to the Reform School till twenty-
four months. Mr. Johnson, of Marion, stated that he
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MISCELLANEOUS.

VALUABLE TRUTHS.

"If you are suffering from poor health
or languishing on a bed of sickness, take
care of yourself, without clearly
knowing why."

Hop Bitters will Revive you.

"If you are a Minister, and have over-
taxed yourself with your pastoral duties,
or a Mother, worn out with care and work,
you will find Hop Bitters will Restore you.

"If you are a man of business or la-
borer, and are young and growing too fast, as
often the case."

Hop Bitters will Relieve you.

"If you are in the workshop, on the
farm, or in the office, and are feeling tired, or
stimulating, without intoxicating.

Hop Bitters will Strengthen you.

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